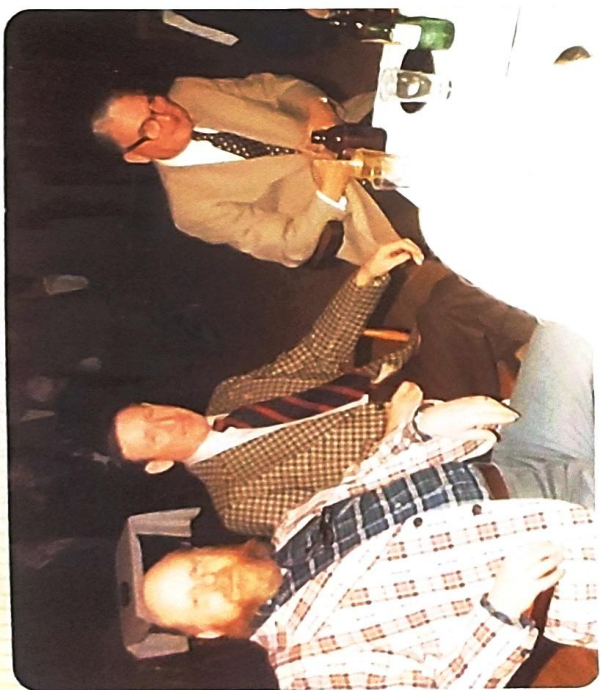
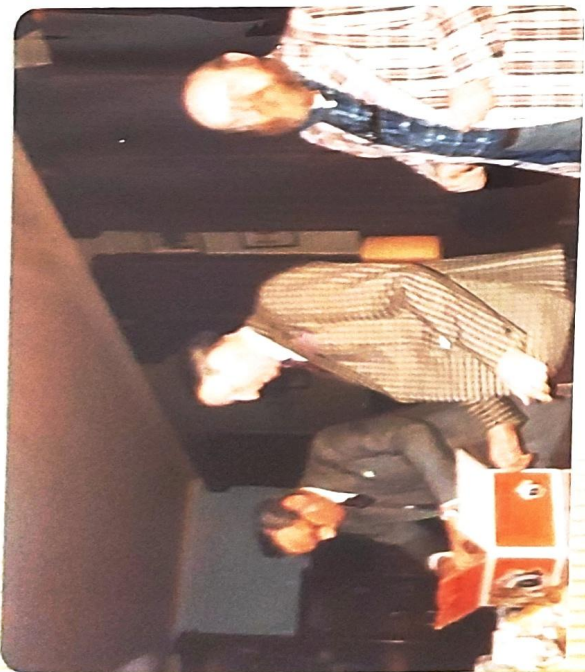
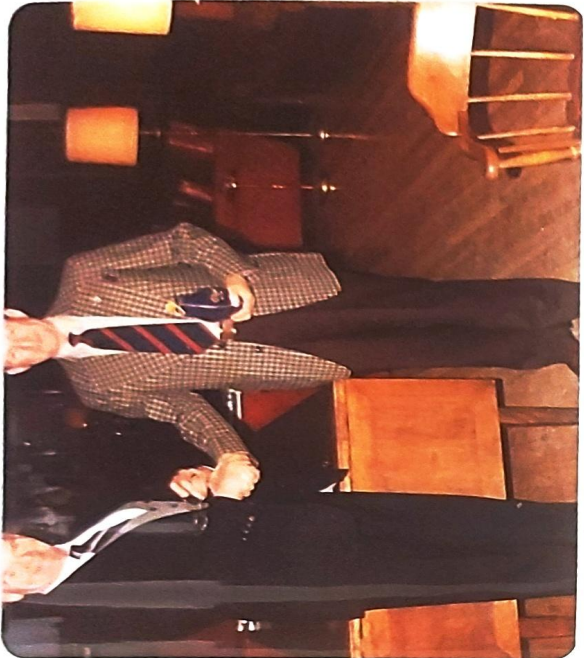


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Pipe Major W. J. Hannah
The Black Watch of Canada
2067 Bleury Street
Montreal, Canada

Dear Pipe Major:

I am very sorry I did not see you on Thursday to tell you how very grateful we all are to you and the Pipers for the magnificent show you put up on Wednesday evening.

I have heard a lot of piping in my time but never any better than yours, and your turnout and bearing were of the highest possible standard.

On all sides I have been told that the presence of the Pipers of the Black Watch of Canada immensely increased the success of the evening.

With all good wishes and many thanks,

Yours very truly,

J.W.F. Treadwell
Brigadier J.W.F. Treadwell

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The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada
2067 Bleury Street
Montreal

January 26th., 1953.

Pipe Major W.J.Hannah,
The Pipes and Drums,
The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada,
2067 Bleury Street,
Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Pipe Major:

I cannot tell you how proud I was of your performance in New York last night. All members of the Band deserve great credit for their excellent showing.

On behalf of the Regiment I would like to thank you and all of your Pipers and Drummers for representing us so well.

Yours very truly,

(J.G.Bourne) Lieutenant-Colonel
Commanding Officer
The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada



The Black Watch Association

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Pipe Major W. Hannah,
441 Ash Avenue,
Montreal, Que.
H3K 2R2

September 25, 1979.

Dear Mr. Hannah;

On behalf of the Reunion Committee, the Officers and Members of The Black Watch R.H.R. of Canada Association (Montreal Branch), our sincere "Thanks" and deep appreciation to you and the Members of The Black Watch Association Pipes and Drums Band for your excellent contribution to a most successful Reunion Weekend.

In the few months that the Band has been formed, it has achieved a high degree of skills as a Highland Pipe Band and has astonished most Members with their playing and marching ability.

I, personally, could not have been more proud at the initial appearance of the Band on the Friday Evening and congratulate you and the Members of the Band for your excellent showing.

The excellent playing and smart appearance of the Band during the three day weekend will assist greatly in the contributions towards outfitting the Band with new uniforms.

Once again, Mr. Pipe Major, please convey our deep appreciation to all Members of the Black Watch Association Pipes and Drums Band.

I remain,
Yours sincerely,

Bruce H. Ducat
President.

Commanding Officer



3rd Battalion
The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada
2067 Bleury Street
Montreal

21 Apr 65

Dear Pipe Major;

As you probably know, I will be turning over the Command of the Third Battalion to Major T.E. Price, CD on Sunday, May 16th, when he will be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

I feel most fortunate indeed to have an Officer of his calibre as my successor as Commanding Officer. I know the Third Battalion will move ahead, as expected, under his Command.

I would like to thank you for the support that you and the members of the Pipes and Drums have always given me. The Band seems to be moving ahead in fine fashion, and I am sure with the prospects of the forthcoming engagements, together with the Senior members of the Boys' Pipes and Drums coming up, this increase in numbers and quality will continue.

Thank you again for your support, and I leave with the confidence that you will give this same support to your new Commanding Officer.

With every good wish for the future.

Yours sincerely,
W. J. Hannah Lt. Col.

Pipe Major W.J. Hannah, CD
441 Ash Avenue,
Montreal, Que.



3rd Battalion
The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada
2067 Bleury Street
Montreal

August 16th., 1955.

Pipe Major W.J. Hannah,
441 Ash Avenue,
Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Pipe Major:

September will soon be with us
and with it will begin our Fall Training Parades.

I don't have to tell you how pleased
I have been with the excellent work you have done
with the Pipes and Drums. You and the members of
the Band have been a great credit to the Regiment
and I know we can count on your continued support
and efficiency. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

(J.G. Bourne) Lieutenant-Colonel
Commanding Officer
3rd Bn The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada

From: Lieutenant-Colonel J.W.Knox, MBE., ED.



The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada

Regimental Headquarters,
2067 Bleury Street,
Montreal 2, Quebec.

20th July 1967.

Dear Pipe Major

No parade of the nature of the one which we held on the 12th could have been undertaken without our Pipes and Drums which play such an important part on an occasion such as this one. I extend to you, to the Drum Major and to your Non-Commissioned Officers, Pipers and Drummers who took part in The Review and other events held in connection with the same, congratulations.

I was particularly gratified to observe that members of the Militia and Cadet Units of our Regiment who spent relatively limited time in the pursuit of its activities, compared so favourably with Regular Units of The Regiment.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely

Colonel of the Regiment.

Pipe Major W. J. Hannah, C.D.,
3rd Battalion, The Black Watch (RHR) of Canada,
2067 Bleury Street,
MONTREAL 2, Quebec.

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Mr. William Hannah
441 Ash Avenue
Montreal 22,
P. A., Canada

Dear Bill:

A small note to express our large thanks for the fine job you did for us Tuesday night. I hope you found your appearance on TO TELL THE TRUTH even half as enjoyable as our viewing audience apparently did.

If there is anything we can do for you at any time, please don't hesitate to call on us.

Cordially,



Gil Fates
Executive Producer

GF:o

"TO TELL THE TRUTH"



IAN ROBERTS
200 CANADA CEMENT BUILDING
MONTREAL, QUEBEC

17 Sep 57

Dear Pipe Major Hannah,

Now that five years in the Orderly Room has come to an end, I want to express to you my appreciation for the thoroughly satisfactory liaison which I have enjoyed. You have always been extremely co-operative and have earned from me a deep respect for the Pipes and Drums and for their Pipe Major.

You and all members of the Band have been most hospitable to Mrs. Roberts and myself and we have never failed to enjoy ourselves in your company. I wish you would tell them how grateful I am for their continued kindness.

While Adjutants come and go, the Pipe Band goes on and on - flat feet and all! I wish you well for the future and I thank you for these past few years of splendid effort.

Ian Roberts

215 ST. JAMES STREET WEST

October 30th, 1957

Pipe Major William Hannah,
The Black Watch Armoury,
2067 Bleury Street,
Montreal, Que.

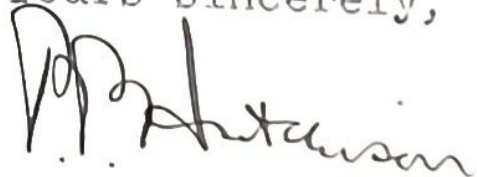
Dear Pipe Major:

At the Saint James's Club
Centennial Dinner I did not get an op-
portunity to have a word with you, which
I regret.

I just wished to say that we
all enjoyed your piping very much indeed,
and that it added greatly to the histor-
ical occasion.

Again many thanks and kindest
wishes to all the pipers and drummers.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P. Hutchison'.

(Paul P. Hutchison)

PPH/al

675 DORCHESTER STREET WEST
SECRETARY'S OFFICE



October 28, 1957.

Pipe Major Hannah

Lt.-Col. Ian R. McDougall,
Commanding Officer,
3rd Battalion,
The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada,
2067 Bleury Street,
Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Colonel McDougall:

The Chairman has particularly asked me to thank you on behalf of the membership of Saint James's Club for the very fine appearance and piping of Pipe Major Hannah on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary Dinner of Saint James's Club.

I understand that it was necessary for him to return to the armoury to continue practice for the Regimental Dinner on November 2nd, and under the circumstances this added duty was much appreciated.

JAM/DS

Sincerely,

J.A. Macdonell
J.A. Macdonell,
Secretary.



12th June 1956

Pipe Major W.J. Hanna,
3rd Bn. The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada,
2067 Bleury Street,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Pipe Major:

May I offer you and your Band my sincere congratulations on its fine performance during our Philadelphia trip.

I am not unmindful of the tremendous personal effort which you and the members of the Band, including the bugle section, put in towards ensuring the tremendous success of this operation. The execution by the Band of its duties during the preparation for and in the course of the entire trip, were of the highest order and in the best tradition of The Watch.

May I add that I was personally deeply touched and very proud to be associated with the Band in all its activities. Words cannot properly express how deeply touched I felt when you told me Saturday morning rather jokingly about the abstinence record which the Band appeared to be setting. It was a small incident by itself but it touched me as nothing else has done for a long time. This was Black Watch at its best.

Thank you again and all best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely,

DFR:J

Donald F. Rennie
Major

Rogers Island Historical Association

Box 223, Newburgh, New York



MAJOR ROBT. ROBERTS

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HARRISON BIRD, Vice President
RICHARD MASON, Secty. - Treas.

Please reply to:

Gospel Lane
Orange, Conn.

July 31, 1964

Pipe Major
William Hanna
42nd Highland Regiment
Bleury Street Armory
Montreal, P. Q.
Canada

Dear Bill:

It was very nice to meet you last Saturday evening at Ticonderoga. Earl Stott, Harold Rist, and I certainly enjoyed the performance of your group at Ticonderoga and were especially delighted with your impromptu playing at the Roxi Motel in the evening. We had great fun that evening watching and listening to the 3 a.m. march around the motel.

I believe that we briefly explained to you something about our historical association and the work that we are doing on Rogers Island. It is perhaps most significant to your group that we are uncovering artifacts relating to the 42nd Regiment from 1758. We also believe that some of this regiment are buried on this Island. We hope that sometime in the future you may be able to visit the Island first hand to see the work that we are doing.

As a small token of our appreciation of your interest and in appreciation of your fine performance at Ticonderoga, we are most happy to present you with a charter membership in our association. Enclosed is a membership card.

I hope that we will have the opportunity of seeing and hearing you again soon, and in the meantime, Earl Stott will undoubtedly be in touch with you. Kind regards to you and the Battalion.

Very truly yours,

Richard A. Mason

Richard A. Mason
Secretary

Enc.

cc: Mr. Harold Rist



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July 8, 1969.

Pipe Major Wm. Hannah,
441 Ash Avenue,
Montreal 22.

Dear Mr. Hannah:-

As Secretary of The Black Watch Association, but more particularly as a long-time friend of both your father and yourself I want to express the sympathy of The Association to you and the family in the passing of my old friend "Bob".

There is little one can say at a time like this, even though his death could be expected, but the knowledge of his being a true man will relieve any emotional stress which we all feel.

If there is anything I, or the Association can do, we will be happy. Extend our regards to the others of your family.
Sincerely,

.....G. Mowat.....

GEORGE MOWAT, Secretary.

COPY - PIPE MAJOR W. J. HANNAH

November 24, 1954

Lieutenant-Colonel J. L. Malkin
Comptroller of the Household
Government House
Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Colonel Malkin:

On behalf of Pipe Major Hannah, Sergeant Ramsay and Corporal Mitchell, I would ask you to convey to His Excellency their sincere gratitude for sending them copies of the photo taken when they were being presented to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

It was a great honour to the Regiment and a privilege for our Pipers to have played on the occasion of the State Dinner, and you may rest assured that our Pipers will cherish these photos amongst their prize possessions.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours sincerely,



(J. G. Bourne) Lieutenant-Colonel
Commanding Officer
3rd Bn The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada

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cc - Pipe Major W. J. Hannah
3rd Bn The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada
2067 Bleury Street
Montreal, P. Q.

Montreal

From: Colonel J.W. Knox, M.B.E., E.D.



The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada

29th
July
1969

Dear Pipe Major

During the past few weeks I have been intending to write to you but frequent absences from the City have intervened. Thank you very much for your letter of the 24th. I personally regret that I was unable to attend your Father's funeral.

My association with the Regiment dates back to 1933 and therefore I knew your Father for a great many years. Our Colonel-in-Chief, Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother has on many occasions referred to the "regimental family". Your Father epitomized this family spirit to which she refers. He will be greatly missed and not soon forgotten by many hundreds of comrades in the Regiment.

I was particularly pleased that Pipe Major Gilmour personally piped at your Father's funeral. As you well know he is one of the finest pipers in Canada and probably in the world. It was most fitting that the services which marked the end of your Father's association with the Regiment should include piping of this caliber.

On behalf of the Regimental Advisory Board and myself I extend the deepest sympathies to you and to the members of your family in your bereavement.

Sincerely

[Signature]
Chairman
Regimental Advisory Board

Pipe Major W.J. Hannah
3rd Battalion
The Black Watch (R.H.R.) of Canada
2067 Bleury Street
Montreal, Quebec

From: Major W. E. Stavert



The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada

Dear Pipe Major Hannah

On Sunday the 14th June 1970 there will be a Ceremony for the Laying-Up of the Colours of the 1st and 2nd Battalions of the Regiment in the Regimental Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, Montreal, and on behalf of the Colonel of the Regiment I am writing to invite you to attend as a guest of the Regiment.

The Church service will be held at 11:00 o'clock in the morning, and you are asked to be in the Church at the latest by 10:45 o'clock.

The 1st and 2nd Battalions of the Regiment will each be represented by two fifty-man guards. There will also be on parade the 3rd Battalion, the Black Watch Cadet Corps and members of the Black Watch Association as well as the massed bands of the three Battalions and the Cadet Corps.

The troops will march along Sherbrooke Street from the Armoury to the Church. After the service they will march back to the Armoury along the same route, and the salute will be taken outside Cantlie House on the corner of Peel and Sherbrooke Streets.

Enclosed with this letter are two cards for admission to the Church. If you are unable to use these cards would you please return them in the enclosed envelope in order that they may be given to other members of the Regiment.

Sincerely,

W. E. Stavert

Regimental Staff Officer

15th May 1970

From: Lieutenant-Colonel J. G. Bourne, E.D.



The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada

4781 St. Catherine St. West,
Montreal 215, Quebec.

11th July 1969

Dear Pipe Major,

I was very sorry to read of your father's death in this morning's paper and know what a sad loss it must be to you and the members of your family.

Your father served the Regiment loyally for many, many years and set a great example not only to the members of the Pipes and Drums, but to all ranks of the Regiment. One of his greatest contributions to the welfare of the Regiment was his patience and devotion to teaching members of the Boys' Pipes and Drums. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

On behalf of all members of the Regiment, I would like to express our deepest sympathy to you and your family.

Sincerely
J. G. Bourne

Colonel of the Regiment

Pipe Major W. J. Hannah,
441 Ash Avenue,
Verdun,
Montreal 104, Quebec.



3rd Battalion
The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada
2067 Henry Street
Montreal

17 July 69.

Dear Bill.

I deeply regret not being able to attend your father's funeral. but as you know we were away with The pipes and Drums.

Few families have contributed so much to The Regiment as yours. The father and son Hammah's will always be remembered for the amazing number of years in which they served as Pipe Majors.

I hope we have the occasion to meet soon. in the meantime my sincere sympathy to you and your family

Sincerely
John Macfarlane
JML

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DISPERSAL CERTIFICATE.

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Signature of Soldier Robert William Hannah
 Signature of O.C. [Signature]
 Date 22/3/19

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We are pleased to learn that the Gold Medal presented by the Highland Society of London for Pipe Music, has been won this year by Pipe Major Donald Macleod, of the Depot, Seaforth Highlanders, Fort George, at the competition held at Inverness, on Tuesday, 23rd September, under the auspices of the Northern Meeting.

This is the most coveted prize in the piping world and is known as the highest honour attainable by pipers. It has been presented annually by the Highland Society since 1835.

Pipe Major Macleod gave a fine rendering of an ancient tune called "Gilliechroisd," associated with the burning of a church near Beaulv, by the Macdonalds of Glengarry. He is the first Lewisman ever to be awarded this honour. Pipe Major Macleod, who also won first prize in the March competition and in the Jigs competition, is a son of Mr and Mrs Macleod, South Beach Street, Stornoway. He began his piping career in the Sea Cadet Pipe Band, and was also for a period in the Lewis Pipe Band, until he joined the Seaforth Highlanders. He also received tuition from Pipe Major William Ross, the instructor of the Army School of Piping, Edinburgh, and from Pipe Major John Macdonald, Inverness.

SOMEONE has declared that the man in the moon hails from Aberdeen. A pawky way of saying that Scots are to be found in every corner of the world.

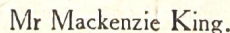
And in no place more than Canada.

Scotland can take infinite pride in the part played by her sons in the development of the great Dominion.

Present Prime Minister, William Lyon Mackenzie King is a Scot on both sides of the house, although of the third generation. His forebears came from Aberdeen and Dundee. His famous grandfather was William Lyon Mackenzie, the "rebel" whose defiance of constituted authority was finally vindicated because of the justice of his stand.

The Prime Minister of Canada, leader of the Liberal Party since 1919, has held office as Premier longer than any other man.

Probably the most outstanding present-day Canadian statesman who was born in Scotland is Hon. Ian Alistair Mackenzie, a huge Veterans' Affairs Minister, three deputy Ministers and the House of Commons.



He won the bursary, went on to Kingussie, where his brilliant teacher admitted that the "pupil was teaching the master."

The bursary amounted to £15. At the end of a year Mackenzie brought back £5 to his mother. He lived on hot porridge and milk in the morning, cold ... in between.

Until her death he spoke to her once each week in their native tongue.

A notable name in the House of Commons is Tom Reid, M.P. for New Westminster, B.C. He is a native of Ayrshire, a farmer, and distinctly self-made man.

Champion of the Pipes.

Tom is a champion of the bagpipes. When first elected to the House of Commons he took his beloved pipes with him and played up and down the spacious corridors to the delight of his Celtic colleagues but the discomfiture of the Sassenachs who are also to be found in Canada's Parliament.

The R.C.M.P., reputed always to "get their man," went after Tom and ordered him to stop. The Scot nearly burst a blood vessel stoutly denying the right of any police, R.C.M.P. or otherwise, to stop him playing as a free-born British citizen, and particularly as an elected member of the Canadian House of Commons.

Tom won the day, and the police re-

By Ian MacMath

tired in dignified defeat. To-day his playing is a tradition in the House, although he confines it mainly to his room.

On occasion, however, just to preserve the "rights," he marches down to the Prime Minister's office and blasts out four measures of "Scotland the Brave."

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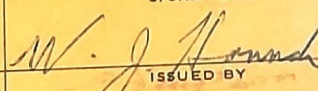
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In signing this card, I agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the Men's Canteen, as established from time to time.	

